

# Department of the South Florida Sun, Avon Park

## The Beautiful Lake Region

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"Of all the bad habits the liquor habit is the worst—and there is no sense in it. But the gutter is in it."

Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging; and whoever is deceived thereby is not wise.—Proverbs.

"O thou invisible spirit of wine, if thou hast no name to be known by, let me call thee devil!"

"O that men should put an enemy to their mouths to steal away their brains!"

"That we should with joy, revel, pleasure, and applause, transform ourselves into beasts!"

"Every inordinate cup is unblessed, and the ingredient is a devil!"

—Shakespeare.

The rowdy element that invaded Avon Park on Christmas day and thereabout, was conspicuous by its absence on New Year's day.

Monday night there was a select New Year's dance at the residence of Geo. F. Kellogg, on Lake View avenue.

Mr. Dilley is making a small row boat for Rev. Mr. Phillips.

Miss Edith Bennett returned on Monday to her school at Winter Park.

Dr. E. M. Hyde went back to St. Petersburg Wednesday, the 3rd inst.

The road to Zolfo is said to be very bad in places. The question of transportation for the present product of Avon Park and for that in immediate prospect, is a very serious one. How can it be solved? We think, by nothing short of some kind of a railroad.

Mr. H. E. Coy and his wife and daughter went a fishing on Saturday. They went to Lakes Lettland and Bonnet and found the fishing good and the catching ditto, and brought home 75 pounds of fish including one ten-pound bass. The writer was remembered with a liberal supply. Fish are very numerous in those and other of our lakes, but this winter they have seemed rather indifferent to the blandishments of our veteran fisherman, but he has evidently made a "dash" and will find the angling good from now on.

Mr. Geo. F. Smith has purchased an outfit for the manufacture of syrup from sugar cane, and as soon as it is set up will work up his own crop of cane. Ernest Simmons of Frostproof, another expert at the business, will be placed in charge and will operate the plant.

Major Davidson and his friends were over to the Kissimmee river on a camp hunt last week, from Thursday until Saturday, and didn't get a sight of a deer nor a turkey. They found water everywhere, mostly about three feet in depth, and they could hardly find a place to lie down without lying in the water.

Sunday was in part very rainy, so that the morning congregations at the churches were very small. The evening, although humid, was without rain, and the church services were better attended than in the morning.

On Sunday, Dec. 17th at the morning service at the Episcopal church, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Cus Prescott received the sacrament of baptism.

Dr. E. M. Hyde came over from St. Petersburg last week, arriving on Thursday night in that heavy rain, to spend the few vacation days at his place, Twin Lakes.

Mr. M. Kelley of Amesbury, Mass., a friend of J. W. Culver, arrived Friday, Dec. 29th, and will spend the season here.

### Rainfall at Avon Park for Four Years

The rainfall at Avon Park Station in the month of December was 10.28 inches. Such a rainy season in winter we have not seen since seventeen years ago this winter, when the writer was living in San Mateo, Fla. The rainfall for the past four years at this place is as follows:

1902..... 54.02 inches  
1903..... 52.05 inches  
1904..... 58.79 inches  
1905..... 65.61 inches

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### ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The unfortunate accident that befell Mr. William King last Friday prevented his attendance at one of the most important meetings of the Board of County Commissioners of the whole year if not the most important, and he the chairman of the board. But it cannot be helped. The mischief is such as might have befallen any one, and all are liable to accidents. It is causing him much suffering and the loss of valuable time.

William King met with a painful accident on Friday, Dec. 29th. He was engaged in plumbing in one of Dr. McCartney's cottages and was standing on a bench at work at a gas pipe overhead, when the wrench slipped its hold suddenly throwing him to the floor. In falling he struck his right side upon a projecting portion of the bench, fracturing the lower rib and inflicting painful—possibly serious—internal injuries. Dr. McCartney has been assiduous in his efforts to give relief, and at this writing it is hoped the hurt may not prove as serious as was feared at first, although he will probably be kept from all active duties for a week or two at least.

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